

## **Why are Legacies so important to the “League of Friends”?**

Many people in the Sevenoaks area have cause to be grateful for the treatment they or their relatives have received from the Hospital. By leaving a gift to us in your Will you will enable the League to continue to support the work of the Hospital and Staff.

## **How can I remember the League of Friends in my Will?**

Whether you are drawing up a new Will or changing an existing one, we would recommend that you engage a Solicitor for advice.

However, before doing so, we would suggest that you need to view the “Glossary of Terms” (inside this leaflet) which explains some of the Legal terms that you may come across and the types of legacy which are available for you to choose from.

## **Can I add the League of Friends to my existing Will?**

If you have a Will, it is important that it is kept up to date. Making changes to your Will is very easy with the help of a Solicitor.

If you wish to add the League of Friends of Sevenoaks Hospital to your existing Will, your Solicitor will attach an instruction called a codicil.

## **The League of Friends of Sevenoaks Hospital**

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## ***“Legacy to The League of Friends”***

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***Please Help Us To  
Help Sevenoaks  
Hospital***



***BY LEAVING US  
A LEGACY  
IN YOUR WILL***

## Why make a Will?

One in five people in the UK die not having made a Will. Many people think that they do not have enough money or possessions to make a Will worthwhile.

## How do I make a Will?

Making a Will can be easy and inexpensive. As with any legal document, it is best to seek professional advice.

You will need to choose your executors, normally two people, who will see that your precise wishes are carried out after your death.

When your Will is complete, you will need two independent witnesses to sign it.

## Who are we?

The League of Friends of Sevenoaks Hospital was founded in 1952 to provide extra amenities for patients and staff.

We are an independent charity affiliated to the National Association of Hospital and Community Friends. Our aims are to provide voluntary support for hospital activities and to raise funds for the purchase of equipment to improve patient care.

## Glossary of Terms

**Administrator** – Someone who is appointed to arrange your affairs if you do not leave a Will.

**Beneficiary** – An individual or organisation who will receive a gift in your Will.

**Codicil** – An alteration to your existing Will.

**Chattels and movables** – Your personal possessions, including your furniture and car.

**Estate** – All your possessions at the time of your death, including money and property.

**Executor** – The person appointed by you to make sure the instructions in your Will are carried out.

**Intestate and intestacy** – You are said to be intestate if you die without making a Will. Intestacy is the name for this situation.

**Legacy** – A gift left to a person or organisation in your Will.

**Life interest** – A two stage legacy – the first beneficiary having use of something (eg house) during their lifetime with a second beneficiary receiving the asset on the death of the first beneficiary – the second beneficiary is often a charity.

**Pecuniary legacy** – A gift of a fixed amount of money.

**Probate** – The legal procedure to decide whether you left a valid Will.

**Residue** – The sum that is left from your estate when all debts, charges and gifts have been made.

**Residuary legacy** – A gift consisting of the residue or part of the residue of your estate.

**Specific legacy** – A gift of a particular item eg jewellery or furniture.

**Testator** – The person making the Will.

**Witness** – A person who signs your Will in your presence, who must not be a beneficiary.